



February 5, 1982

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State of Utah
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Dear Mr. Smith,

RE: ACT/037/018

In case the third party does not wish to take assignment of the above reference property, and in response to your letter of January 29, 1982, I have the following questions:

- 1. Is there a specific reason for removing our waste pile to the abandoned copper pit, rather than filing in the open pit (SL-1) created by our operations?
- 2. If we could fill in our own pit, wouldn't this eliminate any erosion controls needed for the walls and/or warning signs?
- 3. By filling in our pit with our waste pile, the noticeable disturbance under our Notice of Intent would be significantly reduced therefore wouldn't this be more the objective we are trying to reach?
- 4. How long after total reclamation is complete would the State of Utah retain our bond to assure the re-vegetation process has in fact begun.
- 5. There is substantial evidence that our waste pile consists of more material than is necessary to fill out pit, therefore could the remaining tons be placed on the pad area within the copper pit as prescribed in your letter?

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely yours,
MINERALS RECOVERY CORPORATION

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